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1. THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE HAS ADVISED US THAT VICE
MINISTER STANISLAW DLUGOSZ WILL HEAD A SIX-MEMBER POLISH
DELEGATION TO WASHINGTON TO DISCUSS PROPOSED CHANGES IN USG
COUNTERVAILING-DUTY REGULATIONS. THE DELEGATION WILL LEAVE
WARSAW ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15, AND BE AVAILABLE FOR
TALKS IN WASHINGTON DECEMBER 16, 17, AND 18.

IN ADDITION TO MEETINGS AT THE DEPARTMENT OF THE
TREASURY, THE DELEGATION HOPES TO SEE APPROPRIATE
OFFICIALS AT STATE, COMMERCE, AND POSSIBLY STR, AND MEMBERS OR
STAFF OF RELEVANT CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES.

2. MEMBERS OF THE POLISH DELEGATION ARE:

STANISLAW DLUGOSZ, VICE MINISTER OF FOREIGN TRADE AND
MARITIME ECONOMY;

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DR. WITOLD TRZECIAKOWSKI, DIRECTOR, FOREIGN TRADE
RESEARCH INSTITUTE;

ZYGMUNT HAGEL, VICE DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC
MANAGEMENT, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (MFT);

ZBIGNIEW KRZYSTOFOWICZ, VICE DIRECTOR, TRADE POLICY
DEPARTMENT III, MFT;

ROMUALD DANIEL, CHIEF OF SECTION, INTERNATIONAL ORGANI-
ZATIONS, TRADE POLICY DEPARTMENT III, MFT, AND

JERZY STREBSKI, CHIEF OF SECTION, NORTH AMERICAN AND
OVERSEAS DIVISION, TRADE POLICY DEPARTMENT III, MFT

3. COMMENT: AS INDICATED IN THE REFERENCED TELEGRAMS,
U.S. DUMPING AND COUNTERVAILING-DUTY REGULATIONS ARE
RECEIVING HIGH-LEVEL ATTENTION AMONG POLISH POLICY-
MAKERS. ALTHOUGH THE SCHEDULE MUST BE ARRANGED ON SHORT
NOTICE, THESE MEETINGS SHOULD PROVIDE A GOOD OPPORTUNITY
TO EXPLAIN THE RATIONALE BEHIND THESE REGULATIONS AND
TO EXPLORE HOW THEIR IMPACT ON EXPORTS FROM
POLAND MIGHT BE MINIMIZED. WE HAVE TOLD MEMBERS OF THE
DELEGATION THEY SHOULD EXPLAIN THE TECHNICAL QUESTIONS OF
PRICE AND WAGE DETERMINATION WHICH THEY BELIEVE JUSTIFY
DIFFERENT TREATMENT UNDER USG LEGISLATION. DR. TRZECIAKOWSKI'S
PRESENCE ON THE DELEGATION SHOULD PERMIT SUCH TECHNICAL
DISCUSSIONS.

4. THE NAMING OF VICE MINISTER DLUGOSZ TO LEAD THE
DELEGATION UNDERLINES THE IMPORTANCE THE POLES ARE
ATTACHING TO THIS MISSION. DLUGOSZ HAS BECOME
POLAND'S FOREMOST NEGOTIATOR WITH THE WEST ON TRADE AND
FINANCIAL MATTERS. THE FACT THAT THE MFT ASKED THAT
HIS U.S. VISA BE ISSUED IN MOSCOW, IF NECESSARY, SHOWS
HE IS ACTIVE ON THE EASTERN FRONT AS WELL. TRZECIAKOWSKI'S
PRESENCE IN THE DELEGATION MEANS THE GOP HAS AGREED
TO HIS CONDITION THAT HE HAVE COMPLETE LATITUDE TO
DISCUSS THE WORKINGS OF THE POLISH ECONOMY WITHOUT THE
REQUIREMENT OF REPRESENTING OFFICIAL GOVERNMENT POSITIONS
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(REF B) ON DECEMBER 9, TRZECIAKOWSKI REITERATED
TO AN EMBOFF THAT HE WOULD NOT BE ON THE DELEGATION
UNLESS HIS CONDITION WERE MET. HE ESTIMATED THEN THAT
THERE WAS LITTLE CHANCE HE WOULD BE ON THE DELEGATION.
END COMMENT.

5. FOR MOSCOW: WE WILL ADVISE IN SEPARTE TELEGRAM
IF DLUGOSZ'S VISA MUST BE ISSUED IN MOSCOW.

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